

# DEPARTMENT OF POLICE MEDIA RESOURCES SECTION

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# **Recent Crime Summary**

**October 1, 2021** 

\*\*Note: additional incidents may have occurred, and the reports have not yet been received\*\*

\*\*Notable arrests for crime trends will be provided via a press release\*\*

# Thefts From Vehicles Summary: 09/19/21 to 09/25/21

MCP urges all residents to take a role in preventing this type of crime by removing valuables from vehicles and locking all doors.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> District

#### A2 Beat:

• A **theft from vehicle** occurred in the 12400 block of Washington Avenue between approximately 6:00 p.m. on 09/15 and 2:00 p.m. on 09/20. Force; a vehicle part was taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# B1 Beat:

• An **attempted theft from vehicle** occurred in the 10000 block of Bald Cypress Drive between approximately 4:00 p.m. on 09/18 and 8:00 a.m. on 09/20.

# No suspect(s) information available

# 2<sup>nd</sup> District

#### D2 Beat:

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/18 and 09/24. Affected streets included
Montgomery Lane, Elm Street, Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda Avenue, Edgemoor Lane, Arlington
Road, Woodmont Avenue, Old Georgetown Road and Bethesda Metro Center. Force was reported
in multiple events; money and property were taken.

Description of suspect seen at the Woodmont Avenue theft:

Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, age unknown

#### D3 Beat:

• A **theft from vehicle** occurred in the 9800 block of La Duke Drive between approximately 10:30 p.m. on 09/18 and 7:00 a.m. on 09/19. No force; property was taken.

#### D4 Beat:

• Two **thefts from vehicles** occurred between 09/14 and 09/22. One theft occurred in the 11800 block of Coakley Circle and one theft occurred in the 10800 block of Symphony Park Drive. Force; vehicle parts were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### E1 Beat:

• Three **thefts from vehicles** occurred between 09/15 and 09/24. Affected streets included MacArthur Boulevard, Randall Lane and Garnett Drive. No force; money and property were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### E2 Beat:

Three thefts from vehicles occurred between approximately 1:30 p.m. on 09/23 and 8:00 p.m. on 09/24. Affected streets included Oak Forest Lane, Kittery Lane and Arrowood Road. No force; money and property were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# E4 Beat:

 Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/17 and 09/25. Affected streets included Seven Locks Road, Kendale Road, Mercy Hollow Lane, Saunders Lane, Stable Lane and Brickyard Road. No force; money and property were taken.

Description of suspect seen at the Kendale Road theft:

Victim/Witness described suspect as: W/M, age 40-49

Description of suspect seen at the Saunders Lane theft:

Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, age unknown

# 3<sup>rd</sup> District

# G1 Beat:

• Three **thefts from vehicles** occurred between 09/18 and 09/25. Affected streets included Colesville Road, Bonifant Street and Georgia Avenue. No force; money and property were taken.

#### G2 Beat:

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/18 and 09/23. Affected streets included
Lyttonsville Road, Live Oak Drive, the area of Noyes Drive and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Hanover Street and
Luzerne Avenue. Force was reported in two events; money, property and a vehicle part were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### H2 Beat:

Four thefts from vehicles occurred between approximately 11:00 a.m. on 09/22 and 10:00 a.m. on 09/23. Affected streets included University Boulevard East, Cottrell Terrace and Dilston Road.
 Force; money and property were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# I1 Beat:

 Three thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/18 and 09/24. Affected streets included the 11200 block of Lockwood Drive and the 11600 block of Stewart Lane. Force; property and vehicle parts were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### 4th District

# J1 Beat:

 A theft from vehicle occurred in the 500 block of Randolph Road between approximately 8:00 p.m. on 09/18 and 9:30 a.m. on 09/19. Force; a vehicle part was taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# K1 Beat:

Three thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/18 and 09/23. Affected streets included Georgia
Avenue, Weeping Willow Court and Pear Tree Court. Force was reported in two events; money,
property and vehicle parts were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# K2 Beat:

Two thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/15 and 09/20. One theft occurred in the 5200 block
of Russett Road and one theft occurred in the 12900 block of Evanston Street. No force; property
was taken.

# L1 Beat:

• Four **thefts from vehicles** occurred between 09/22 and 09/25. Affected streets included University Boulevard West, Bennion Road and Bushy Drive. No force; money and property were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### L2 Beat:

 Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/18 and 09/22. Affected streets included University Boulevard West, McMahon Road, Dennis Avenue, Eastwood Avenue and Faulkner Place. Force was reported in one event; money and property were taken.

Description of suspects seen at the McMahon theft:

Victim/Witness described suspects as: 3 W/Ms or H/Ms, ages unknown

# 5<sup>th</sup> District

# M3 Beat:

• A **theft from vehicle** occurred in the 22500 block of Sweetspire Drive between approximately 9:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on 09/20. No force; property was taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# N1 Beat:

 Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/17 and 09/23. Affected streets included Briarcliff Terrace, Sweetgum Circle, Pinnacle Drive, Shipley Terrace, Shadyside Way, Dover Cliffs Circle, Summersong Lane, Valleyside Way and Wisteria Drive. Force was reported in one event; money and property were taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### N2 Beat:

Two thefts from vehicles occurred between approximately 5:16 a.m. on 09/24 and 10:30 a.m. on 09/25. One theft occurred in the 19300 block of Lullaby Road and one theft occurred in the 18700 block of Harmony Woods Lane. No force; money and property were taken.

# 6th District

# P1 Beat:

• An **attempted theft from vehicle** occurred in the 9900 block of Shelburne Terrace at approximately 10:47 p.m. on 09/20.

Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, age unknown

# R2 Beat:

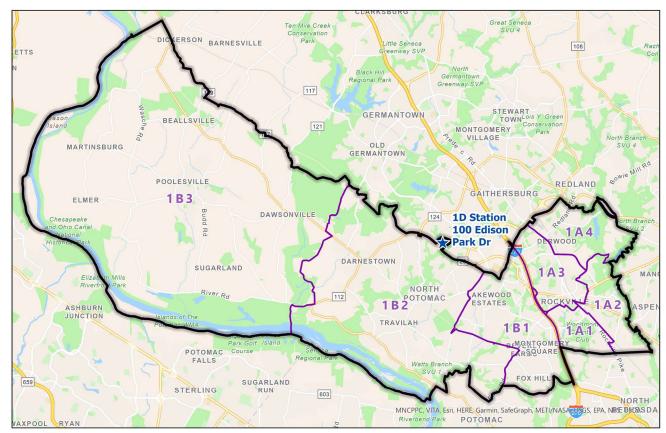
Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between 09/22 and 09/24. Affected streets included the
area of Stedwick Road and Watkins Mill Road, Frostburg Way, Watkins Mill Road and Apple Ridge
Road and Forest View Place. Force; property and a vehicle part were taken.

Description of suspect seen at the Stedwick Road and Watkins Mill Road thefts:

Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, age unknown

# R3 Beat:

• An **attempted theft from vehicle** occurred in the 7400 block of Mill Run Drive between approximately 5:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on 09/21.







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# A1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# A2 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

#### A3 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

#### A4 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# B1 Beat:

 A vehicle theft occurred in the 9800 block of Juniper Hill Road between approximately 7:00 p.m. on 09/19 and 7:00 a.m. on 09/20. Unknown entry; the victim reported losing the vehicle key.

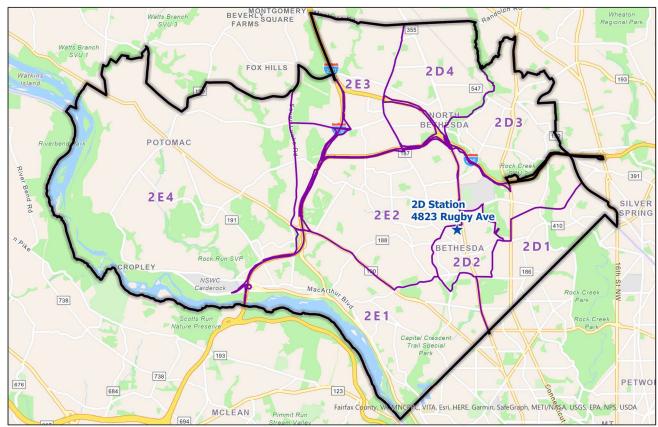
# No suspect(s) information available

# B2 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# B3 Beat:

 An attempted commercial burglary occurred at Montgomery County Communications Facility located at 17410 Black Rock Road between approximately 9:30 p.m. on 09/23 and 9:00 a.m. on 09/24.







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# D1 Beat:

• A **vehicle theft** occurred in the 8500 block of 16<sup>th</sup> Street between approximately 6:00 p.m. on 09/24 and 7:30 a.m. on 09/25. Unknown entry.

# No suspect(s) information available

#### D2 Beat:

• A **commercial burglary** occurred at *Exxon* located at 7975 Old Georgetown Road between approximately 11:00 p.m. on 09/24 and 6:00 a.m. on 09/25. Forced entry; merchandise was taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# D3 Beat:

 A vehicle theft occurred in the 3000 block of Findley Road between approximately 8:00 p.m. on 09/20 and 9:21 a.m. on 09/21. No force; the vehicle was reported to have been left unlocked with a key possibly left inside. The vehicle was recovered on 09/23. The suspects were arrested.

Arrested: Melvin Thompson, age 38; of Alexandria, VA
Dana Pontisso, age 37; of Fairfax, VA

#### D4 Beat:

A vehicle theft occurred in the 10300 block of Strathmore Hall Street between approximately 3:30 p.m. on 09/18 and 8:00 a.m. on 09/19. Unknown entry; a key was reported to have been left inside. The vehicle was recovered on 09/20.

#### No suspect(s) information available

#### E1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# E2 Beat:

 A residential garage burglary and two thefts from vehicles occurred at the same residence in the 7400 block of Arrowood Road in the early morning hours of 09/24. No signs of forced entry, both vehicles were reported to have been left unlocked and the garage door opener was used to open the garage; property was taken.

# Victim/Witness described suspects as: 4 B/Ms, ages unknown

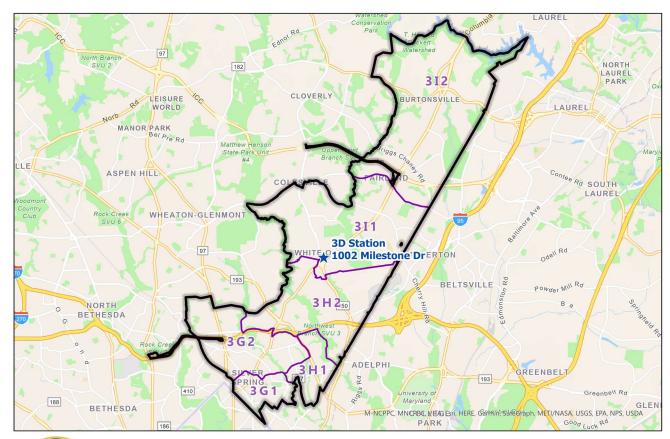
#### E3 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# E4 Beat:

• An attempted residential burglary and attempted theft from vehicle occurred at the same residence in the 8900 block of Bradley Boulevard at approximately 5:00 a.m. on 09/23.

Victim/Witness described suspect as: Male, no further description





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#### G1 Beat:

- Vehicle thefts occurred in the following areas:
  - In the unit block of Veterans Plaza at approximately 6:10 p.m. on 09/20. No force; the vehicle was reported to have been left unlocked and running. The vehicle was recovered on 09/26.

# No suspect(s) information available

In the 900 block of Bonifant Street between approximately 6:45 p.m. and 6:58 p.m. on 09/22. Unknown entry. The vehicle was recovered on 09/25.

# No suspect(s) information available

In the 8500 block of Georgia Avenue at approximately 7:47 p.m. on 09/22. No force; the vehicle was reported to have been left unlocked and running. The vehicle was recovered on 09/22.

# Victim/Witness described suspects as: B/M, age unknown 2 females, no further descriptions

In the 900 block of Sligo Avenue at approximately 8:33 p.m. on 09/23. No force; the vehicle was reported to have been left unlocked and running. The vehicle was recovered on 09/25.

# No suspect(s) information available

In the 900 block of Bonifant Street between approximately 4:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on 09/24. Unknown entry. The vehicle was recovered on 09/25.

#### No suspect(s) information available

In the 8200 block of Georgia Avenue at approximately 5:04 p.m. on 09/25. No force; the vehicle was reported to have been left unlocked and running.

# Victim/Witness described suspects as: 2 B/Ms, ages unknown

• An **attempted armed robbery** occurred in the 900 block of Bonifant Street at approximately 1:52 p.m. on 09/23. The suspect displayed a weapon and attempted to take property from the adult male victim.

# Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, age unknown

# G2 Beat:

 A vehicle theft occurred in the area of Georgia Avenue and August Drive between approximately 9:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. on 09/19. No force; a window was reported to have been left open. The vehicle was recovered on 09/19.

# H1 Beat:

• A **vehicle theft** occurred in the 8600 block of Piney Branch Road between approximately 9:00 p.m. on 09/19 and 9:30 a.m. on 09/20. Unknown entry. The vehicle was recovered on 09/21.

# No suspect(s) information available

# H2 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

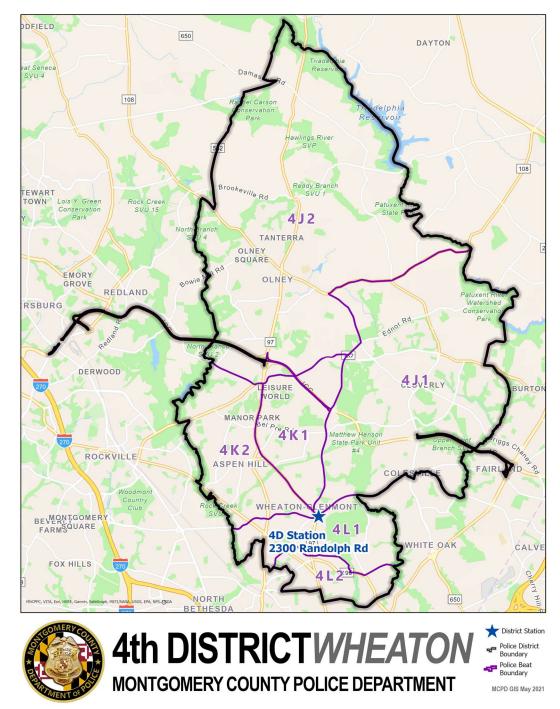
# I1 Beat:

• A **vehicle theft** occurred in the unit block of Featherwood Court between approximately 9:00 a.m. on 09/18 and 9:00 a.m. on 09/20. Unknown entry.

# No suspect(s) information available

# 12 Beat:

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# J1 Beat:

• A **strong-arm robbery** occurred in the 1000 block of Good Hope Drive in the early morning hours of 09/21. The suspect assaulted the adult male victim and took his property.

# No suspect(s) information available

# J2 Beat:

• A **utility trailer theft** occurred in the 22100 block of Georgia Avenue between approximately 7:30 p.m. on 09/20 and 7:00 a.m. on 09/21.

# No suspect(s) information available

• An **aggravated assault** occurred in the 18000 block of Georgia Avenue at approximately 11:02 p.m. on 09/20. The suspects assaulted the adult male victim and one suspect displayed a weapon.

# Victim/Witness described suspects as: 2 B/Ms, ages unknown W/M or H/M, age unknown

# K1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

#### K2 Beat:

• No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

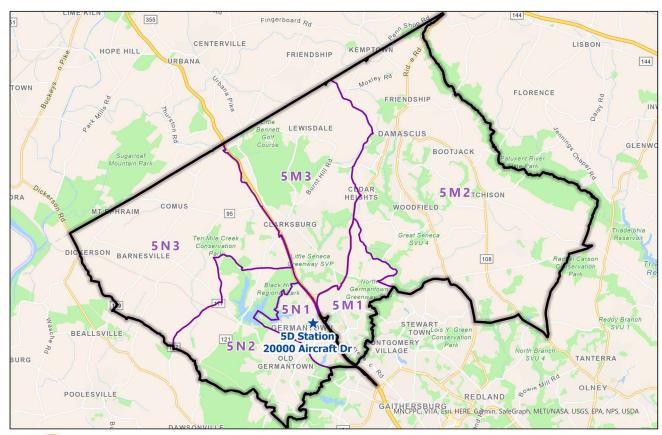
# L1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# L2 Beat:

 A strong-arm robbery occurred in the 2100 block of Bucknell Terrace at approximately 8:57 p.m. on 09/21. The suspects assaulted the adult male victim and took his property.

Victim/Witness described suspects as: B/M, late teens
Male, late teens





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# M1 Beat:

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# M2 Beat:

• No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# M3 Beat:

• A **theft** occurred at a construction site located in the area of Weald Way and Wooded Hill Alley between approximately 2:00 p.m. on 09/17 and 10:00 a.m. on 09/21. No force; property was taken.

# No suspect(s) information available

# N1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

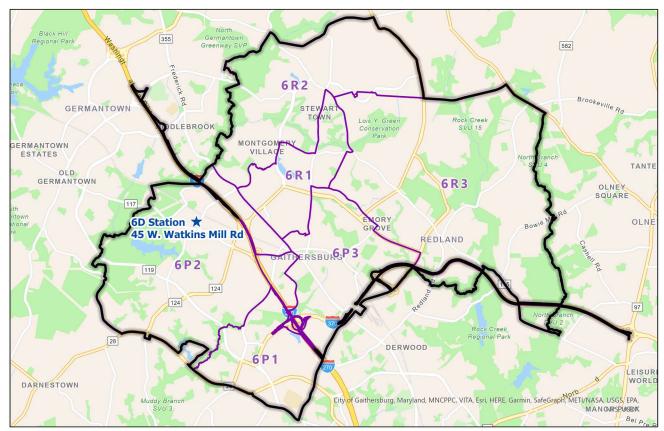
# N2 Beat:

• A **motorcycle theft** occurred in the 13700 block of Lark Song Drive between approximately 8:30 p.m. on 09/20 and 9:00 a.m. on 09/21.

# No suspect(s) information available

# N3 Beat:

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# P1 Beat:

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# P2 Beat:

• No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# P3 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# R1 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

# R2 Beat:

• A **vehicle theft** occurred in the 10200 block of Ridgeline Drive in the early morning hours of 09/19. Unknown entry.

# No suspect(s) information available

• A **commercial burglary** occurred at *Gem Nails & Spa* located at 9114 Rothbury Drive at approximately 7:17 a.m. on 09/25. No signs of forced entry, a door was reported to have been left unlocked; money and property were taken.

# Victim/Witness described suspect as: Male, no further description

# R3 Beat:

No significant incidents occurred during this reporting period.

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